

**Subject: Roma nation meets the United Nations****Date:** Fri, 8 Jun 2001 23:42:45 -0000**From:** "Mr. Ariel Eliyahu" <eli-ari@inter.net.il>**To:** "Roma ando Israel" <roma\_ando\_israel@hotmail.com>International Romani Union ( IRU ) press release

On the 5th June 2001, the UN Secretary General Mr. Kofi Annan recieved Dr. Emil Scuka, the President of IRU. This was the first historical meeting of UN Secretary General with the representative of a Roma Nation.

The following topics were discussed on this meeting:

- the situation of Roma in Europe, particulary in Central and Eastern Europe,
- Declaration of Nation
- activities of Roma representation during last year.

The Secretary General declared, that this meeting was implemented in order to encourage the Roma Nation in Europe and in the World. The Secretary General also showed his respect and esteem to Roma Nation and expressed his belief in the proper attention to Roma issues in the frame of UN.

Meeting with UN Secretary General is an important milestone for Roma in Europe and in the world. The milestone in precieving Roma problematic as part of European and international politics.

Sincerely  
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P.S. Photo from the meeting will be send to you after your special request.

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